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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JANUARY 23, 2003

APPLICATION OF

GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC

CASE NO. PUC-2002-00205

For certificates of public
convenience and necessity to
provide local exchange and
interexchange telecommunications
services

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION

On October 15, 2002, Granite Telecommunications, LLC ("Granite" or "Applicant"), filed an application pursuant to the Commission's Rules governing the offering of competitive local exchange telephone service, 20 VAC 5-400-180 ("Local Rules") with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for certificates of public convenience and necessity ("certificates") to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Commission docketed the application and established a procedural schedule in the matter. Among other things, the Commission directed Commission Staff to conduct an investigation into the reasonableness of the application and present its findings in a Staff Report to be filed on or before January 24, 2003.

In its application, Granite requested a waiver of the Commission's requirement that applicants file audited financial statements, §§ B 5 a and E 1 d of the Local Rules. Granite indicated that it would provide a performance bond in the amount of \$50,000 in lieu thereof. As a part of its evaluation of the application, Commission Staff requested Granite to remit the bond to the Division of Economics and Finance on or before January 16, 2003.

On January 13, 2003, Granite filed a Motion for Extension of Time to file the bond. Specifically, Granite requests that the deadline be extended until February 17, 2003.

NOW UPON CONSIDERATION of the motion and having been advised that Commission Staff has no objections, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the motion for extension of time should be granted.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Granite's Motion for Extension of Time is hereby granted.

(2) On or before February 17, 2003, Granite shall provide to the Division of Economics and Finance a bond in the amount of \$50,000 in lieu of the requirement for audited financial statements contained in the Local Rules.

(3) The date for the filing of the Staff Report is extended from January 24, 2003, to February 24, 2003.

(4) The date for the filing of any response to the Staff Report is extended from January 31, 2003, to March 3, 2003.

(5) All other provisions of our November 8, 2002, Order for Notice and Comment shall remain in effect.